

**Chambers of Magistrate Judge Jeff Kaplan**

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**Jeff Kaplan**  
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1956  
Education: Southern Methodist 1981 JD  
Began Service: June 1, 1994  
Term Expires: May 31, 2010

**Academic:** Instructor, School of Law, Southern Methodist University (1983-1987)

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk, Texas Court of Appeals, Fifth Judicial District (1981-1982)

**Judicial:** Justice, Texas Court of Appeals, Fifth Judicial District (1991-1992)

**Legal Practice:** Private Practice (1982-1991); Private Practice (1992-1994)

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**Charles Bleil**  
Magistrate Judge

Education: Texas 1966 JD; Virginia 1990 LLM  
Began Service: May 3, 1996  
Term Expires: May 3, 2012

**Judicial:** Judge, Texas District Court (1978-1981); Judge, Texas Court of Appeals (1981-1996)

**Staff**

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**Paul Stickney**  
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1953  
Education: South Dakota 1981 JD  
Began Service: 1998  
Term Expires: March 2, 2014

**Government:** First Assistant Federal Public Defender, United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas (1990-1998)

**Legal Practice:** Breit & Stickney Law Office (1981-1990)

**Military Service:** United States Air Force (1973-1975)

**Current Memberships:** Dallas Bar Association; Federal Bar Association; State Bar of Texas

**Chambers of Magistrate Judge Paul Stickney continued****Staff**

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**Nancy M. Koenig**  
Magistrate Judge

Education: Texas 1972 BA, 1975 MA;  
Texas Tech 1982 JD  
Began Service: December 28, 1998  
Term Expires: December 28, 2014

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Halbert O. Woodward, United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas (1982-1984)

**Government:** Assistant United States Attorney, Northern District of Texas, United States Attorney's Office, United States Department of Justice (1984-1998)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; Lubbock County Bar Association; Lubbock County Women Lawyers Association; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas

**Staff**

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Began Service: September 2009  
Term Expires: September 2010  
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**Irma Carrillo Ramirez**  
Magistrate Judge

Education: West Texas State 1986 BA; Southern Methodist 1991 JD  
Began Service: September 9, 2002  
Term Expires: September 8, 2010

**Government:** Assistant U.S. Attorney, Northern District of Texas, United States Department of Justice (1995-2002)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Locke Purnell Rain Harrell (1991-1995)

**Current Memberships:** Dallas Bar Association; Dallas Bar Foundation, Dallas Bar Association; Federal Magistrate Judges Association; State Bar of Texas

**Staff**

Law Clerk **Fatima Shah** ..... (214) 753-2396  
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**Philip R. Lane**  
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1939  
Education: Air Force Acad 1961 BS; Texas 1968 JD  
Began Service: 1971  
Term Expires: 2011

**Affiliation:** Attorney, Office of Philip R. Lane

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Hall & Lane, L.L.P. (1969-2000)

**Military Service:** United States Air Force (1961-1965); United States Air Force (1968-1969)

**Current Memberships:** Abilene Bar Association; State Bar of Texas; Tom Green County Bar Association

**Staff**

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**Barbara J. Houser**  
Chief Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1954  
Education: Nebraska 1975 BA; Southern Methodist 1978 LLB  
Began Service: January 20, 2000  
Term Expires: January 20, 2014

**Legal Practice:** Locke, Purnell, Boren, Laney & Neely (1978-1988); Shareholder, Sheinfeld, Maley & Kay, P.C. (1988-2000)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American Bar Foundation, American Bar Association; American College of Bankruptcy; National Bankruptcy Conference; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas

**Staff**

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Term Expires: September 2010  
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**Robert L. Jones**  
Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1955  
Education: Texas Tech 1978 BA, 1982 JD  
Began Service: April 2000  
Term Expires: April 4, 2014

**Legal Practice:** Jackson, Walker, Winstead, Cantwell & Miller (1982-1985); Crenshaw, Dupree & Milam, LLP (1985-2000)

**Staff**

Law Clerk **Traci Robison** ..... (806) 472-5021  
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Term Expires: September 2010  
Education: Texas Tech 2009 JD  
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**D. Michael Lynn**  
Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1943  
Education: Lawrence U 1965 BA; Columbia 1972 JD  
Began Service: September 18, 2001  
Term Expires: September 18, 2015

**Legal Practice:** Stutzman & Bromberg; Weil, Gotshal & Manges; Attorney, Moore & Peterson

**Military Service:** United States Naval Reserve

**Staff**

Law Clerk **Julian Vasek** ..... (817) 333-6022  
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Term Expires: August 2010  
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